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THRILLING RIDE IN A BALLOON KIDNAPPERS OF WILLIE WHITLA ARE ARRESTED

THE MISSING MEN RETURN AFTER HAVING BEEN ABSENT 72 HOURS

Recite Graphic Tale of Suffering from Cold---Land in Strange Locality and Wander in Face of Blizzard.

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, March 23.—After being lost to the world for seventy-two hours the six men who sailed away from Pasadena Saturday in the big balloon America, and were borne on the wings of a savage storm into the fastness of the Sierra Madre mountains, are safe and sound in their home town, none the worse for their thrilling ride through the air.

The balloon was swept by a gale to the southward, passed over Mount Lowe at an elevation of 7000 feet and finally landed on the north slope of the second mountain range it crossed. The balloonists reached the ground safely but were in an unacquainted region and took the wrong direction in seeking shelter Saturday night and finally camped. At daylight they started again midst a blinding snow storm which began in the early hours. On Sunday afternoon they arrived at Colby's ranch, where they remained until Tuesday morning, when they made their way to Switzer's camp in the Lowdown mountains, where they telephoned the first word of safety to Pasadena. Meanwhile searching parties were scouring the mountains in all directions.

Captain Mueller, who was in charge of the balloon, tells a graphic story of the flight of the airship. He says that practically all the time the earth was hidden by the clouds which surrounded the balloon. All the ballast was gone and it was finally decided not to attempt the ninety-mile flight which was necessary to reach level ground, so they dropped through the clouds. Below they saw Bald peak, and aiming for that, pulled the ripping cord, tearing the bag open to form a parachute. They fell like a shot and landed on a rocky slope within a few feet of a precipice whichawned to a depth of 500 feet. The landing was made without a scratch. When they failed to locate shelter the party stopped to camp. It was discovered that only one match was in the party. This was used with the greatest of care and a bonfire was started which was kept going through the night. Sunday, facing a blizzard, they wandered on until they struck a river. Wading and forcing their way through the snow drifts they followed the course of the stream and finally arrived at Colby's. Within a few hours of their arrival at Switzer's this afternoon the party continued the journey to Pasadena, where they arrived tonight.

PRODUCERS OF LEAD ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

(By Associated Press.)

SALT LAKE, March 23.—The lead producers of Nevada, Idaho and Utah at a meeting today adopted resolutions protesting against reducing the tariff on lead bullion, which was drafted by the committee appointed yesterday.

The matter of affiliating the body with the American Mining congress or a continuance of a separate organization known as the Western Ore Purchasing association, was left to the executive committee.

PRIMARY LAW WILL BE TESTED BEFORE LONG

(By Associated Press.)

CARSON, March 23.—The governor signed the primary bill this afternoon which was enacted by the last legislature. The first test will be in the school municipal elections held by several counties in the spring.

MAY LOSE RIGHT EYE FROM TOBACCO SAUCE

NEW YORK, March 23.—Ada Hilton, a waitress, may lose the sight of her right eye because she was too hasty in uncorking a bottle of tobacco sauce in a Brooklyn restaurant. A drop of the burning fluid struck her in the eye, and, although she was rushed to a hospital, physicians are afraid the sight will be destroyed. The pain was so excruciating that she fainted.

SLAVE KING FOUND GUILTY OF CONTEMPT

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, March 23.—Joseph Durand, who was sent to jail yesterday because he refused to answer the questions of the grand jury before which he had been summoned as a witness in the investigation of former Mayor Harper, was adjudged guilty of contempt of court today and presiding Judge James ordered him confined until he answers. He will go before the jury again tomorrow.

WEALTHY HOTEL MAN IS ARRESTED NEAR RENO

(By Associated Press.)

RENO, March 23.—George Elkins, a wealthy hotel man, was arrested on a ranch near here today and charged with his brother Frederick with acting as an intermediary for boxcar and warehouse thieves. It is stated that quantities of loot were found to have been hidden on the ranch. Frederick is still at large. The accidental discovery of the cache caused the inquiry. The brothers declared they acted in good faith and bought the goods from peddlers. The discovery was made some days ago.

THE MARKET.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, March 23.—Sil-
ver, 50.50; copper, 12.75 @
12.875; lead, 3.975 @ 4.025;
bonds were steady.

SEVENTY-ONE MEN FOR TWELVE JOBS

(By Associated Press.)

SAN DIEGO (Cal.), March 23.—With seventy-one candidates in the race for twelve offices, San Diego will tomorrow hold her first primary election under the terms of the new city charter, founded on the Des Moines plan. A mayor, five councilmen, a city treasurer and five members of the board of education are to be nominated.

CALIFORNIA BANKER WILL BE RETURNED

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 23.—The requisition of Governor Gillett of California for the return of Harry S. Brown, former president of the Bank of Calistoga, arrested here a week ago, was honored today and Sheriff Dunlap of Napa county left for the west with his prisoner.

NEVADA WILL RANK AS THE FIRST STATE IN GOLD PRODUCTION

Superintendent of Carson Mint States that Receipts Show Largest Increase Recorded for Many Years---Unable to Handle Bullion---Appeals for More Help.

(Associated Press.)

CARSON, March 23.—Owing to the overcrowded condition of the mint here the big shipment of gold bullion, including \$200,000, which was received yesterday from Goldfield, was shipped to the San Francisco mint today as the owners were unwilling to wait for the slower returns here. Superintendent Colcord declared he was utterly unable with the small amount of help to cope with the inflow of bullion the result of the extended production of the mines in the state during the last two years. The appeal for more help to the officials at Washington has been refused.

Nevada will rank as the first state in the union for the production of gold this year according to the estimates of Colcord. He says the mint receipts show an increase over any year since the days of the Comstock's famous production. He says that with help the Carson mint will be able to take care of the entire output of gold and silver from the entire state.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT HAS DEPARTED FOR THE DISTANT WILDS OF AFRICA

Former Chief Executive of United States Sails from Native Land Amid Cheers of Large Crowd Who Assembled to Witness His Departure.

(Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, March 23.—Theodore Roosevelt is off for Africa and the big game of which "he's dreamed o'nights these many months past.

Standing on the bridge of the ocean greyhound Hamburg, his son, Kermit, beside him, he sailed down the bay today and out into the storm-swept Atlantic with the roaring cheers of the great crowd at the dock to see him off and the din of whistles from the harbor craft saluting him on a triumphal progress ringing in his ears as the last sounds of his native land for many months to come. From the guns of Fort Hamilton and Wadsworth boomed thirteen thunderous notes of farewell as the liner passed, the nation's official farewell to its former chief. The farewell at the dock was entirely informal but a heartfelt sincerity marked the well wishes told in cheers.

On board the Hamburg (via wireless)—Roosevelt spent the first hours at sea resting from the fatigue occasioned by the strenuous departure. He retired to his stateroom before the ship was out of sight of land. He dined at the captain's table and spoke enthusiastically of the pleasure he expected to derive from the trip. The weather is clear and balmy.

Woman Confesses to Being Instigator of Plot---Money Paid for Ransom is Found Pinned Beneath Her Skirt.

(By Associated Press.)

CLEVELAND, March 23.—Two men and a woman were taken into custody at the railway station tonight on suspicion that they were the kidnappers of Willie Whitla. The police found \$9889 in currency, which is believed to be the remainder of the \$10,000 paid by the boy's father to regain his child who was returned yesterday, under the woman's skirt. Detectives were on watch at the station for any possible clue to the kidnappers, and became suspicious of the actions of the trio who were hurrying to catch the train. They accosted them and asked where they were going in such haste. One of the men carrying a bag dropped it and started to run, but was captured after a short chase and taken to the station house where the money was found, the amount tallying with what the kidnappers might be expected to have. At the station house the woman who appeared to be the spokesman of the party said: "You've got the goods on us, and there will be hell to pay at Sharon tomorrow."

The woman, who appears to be well educated and refined, admitted she planned the whole affair, and says she spent fifteen years in a convent. Owing to the fact that she was intoxicated when arrested she was not questioned closely tonight. The money is in packages containing the original slips placed there when it was taken from the bank by Whitla.

STEAMER BURNED AT STOCKTON SHIPYARD

(By Associated Press.)

STOCKTON, March 23.—The steamer Leader of the California Navigation and Improvement company was burned to the water's edge at an early hour this morning, while tied up at the Grant shipyard. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

INJUNCTION FOR SPECIAL ELECTION IS DENIED

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, March 23.—Judge Bordwell announced tonight he would not grant the injunction asked for by the recall election opponents restraining the city from holding an election on March 26, when they will name the successor of Mayor Stephens, who was appointed by the council after the resignation of Harper, and unless an appeal is taken the matter is closed. The ground of the petitioners was that the resignation annulled the recall.

PAYNE TALKS FIVE HOURS ON TARIFF BILL

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Senator Payne devoted five hours in concluding his explanation of the tariff bill in the house today and at the end showed great fatigue. Clark, the minority leader, began to answer but Payne suggested to postpone it until tomorrow to which Clark agreed. The house then adjourned.

ANOTHER OLD NEVADA PIONEER PASSES AWAY

(By Associated Press.)

CARSON, March 23.—A. Leopold Stearn, deputy United States marshal and a pioneer of Nevada, died at his home here this afternoon. For the

GIVEN FOURTEEN YEARS IN PRISON FOR ASSAULT

(By Associated Press.)

FRESNO, March 23.—Emmett Riggin, a contractor who several years ago was tried here and acquitted of the murder of Robert E. Deane, was today sentenced to fourteen years in San Quentin for assault with a deadly weapon upon A. L. Kreiss, a real estate man.

NO ADDITIONS TO JURY IN THE CALHOUN-CASE

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, March 23.—The examination of twenty-one veniremen today failed to result in any additions to the jury which is to try Patrick Calhoun, president of the United Railroads, who is charged with bribing the former supervisors.

The attorneys clashed twice over the acceptability of jurors, causing Judge Lawlor to interrogate the man in the box on his own account, and finally allowing the challenge for cause in each case.

GAS INSPECTOR DEAD FROM GAS

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, March 23.—An inspector of gas meters is dead at Ridgewood Heights, L. I., killed by gas, last night, in company with a woman. The victim was John Wagner, who was found dead in a hotel room, with a woman, supposed to be Mrs. Annie Miller, who was separated from her husband.

A gas jet was turned on and the gas was escaping into the room when the bodies were found.

GOLD DUST EXHIBIT.

Gold dust valued at \$5,000,000 has arrived in Seattle where it will make one of the exhibits of the Alaska-Yukon exposition which opens June 1. It was brought out over the winter trail from Dawson City, Nome and Fairbanks.

past twenty-five years he has been connected with the marshal's office, and previously held other public posts. He was 69 years old and came to the state forty-eight years ago.